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LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the foreign office officials of both India and Israel had held long discussions in December, 2000; and

(b) if so, the issues discussed and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) & (b) The Fifth Round of Foreign Office Consultations with Israel was held in December 2000 and the Indian delegation to the talks was led by Secretary (East) in the Ministry of External Affairs.During the consultations, besides discussing ways and means to enhance bilateral cooperation between the two countries, important global and regional issues were also discussed.